

**From:** Doug Drizd  
**To:** Microsoft ATR  
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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sirs:

I have to say that I outraged by the agreement that your offices have reached with Microsoft. This is not an agreement that will benefit the public either in general or in its specific application to users of personal computers in personal or commercial applications. It is rather evident that this was basically a selling-out on the part of the Justice Department who appears to have lost the will to fight in a case which they were clearly defending the American people from the predatory and self-serving practices of a company whose clear desire is to destroy all competition so that they can direct our individual use of our computers to their line of products. The Justice Department was right to pursue Microsoft; they should have been tried and, even though the courts may not have agreed with the way in which Judge Jackson handled the case, the fact remains that Microsoft was guilty of the charges against it. You threw in the towel when you were winning and could have gotten a genuine settlement that could have benefited the American people, too. Instead Microsoft can now go on with their past practices cognizant of the fact that you have no ability to limit the same practices that they were tried for in the past. You could have done so much better. You really owed that much to the American people.

Sincerely,

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